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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. CIA PAPER ON POLAND. THE CIA HAS RELEASED AN UNCLAS-
SIFIED VERSION OF ITS EARLIER SECRET PAPER ON "THE SCOPE
OF POLAND'S ECONOMIC DILEMMA," DATED JUNE 1978. YOU SHOULD
HAVE COPIES. WE FIRST LEARNED ABOUT THE NEW UNCLASSIFIED
VERSION FROM A US NEWS & WORLD REPORT CORRESPONDENT WHO
TELEPHONED A COUPLE DAYS BEFORE WE GOT OUR COPIES IN
DISTRIBUTION. THE UNCLASSIFIED PAPER IS MUCH THE SAME AS
THE SECRET VERSION EXCEPT THAT SOURCING INFORMATION HAS
BEEN REMOVED. THE PAPER WAS RELEASED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO
THE STATE DEPARTMENT. YOU SHOULD GET COPIES SOON.

2. NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE ARE DISTURBED. THE PAPER
CONCLUDES THAT POLAND, IF IT WISHES TO MAINTAIN A SATIS-
FACTORY LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT, PROBABLY HAS LITTLE ALTERNA-
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TIVE BUT TO RESCHEDULE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. BESIDES THE
POSSIBLE IMPACT ON WESTERN BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CONFI-
DENCE THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THE PAPER WILL CAUSE THE POLES
TO QUESTION THE ADVISABILITY OF CONTINUING TO RELEASE
FINANCIAL DATA TO US. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THESE CONCERNS
WITH WORKING-LEVEL OFFICIALS AT CIA. THEY ACKNOWLEDGE THESE
CONCERNS BUT EXPLAIN THE PAPER WAS RELEASED AS PART OF

AN EFFORT TO BE MORE "OPEN" TO THE PUBLIC. WE ARE CONSIDERING PURSUIT OF THE ISSUE AT THE POLICY LEVEL.

3. JIM MCGLINCHEY'S THRESHOLD STATEMENT. JIM ASKS IF IT HAS BEEN SENT YET. HE SAYS PERSONNEL NEEDS IT URGENTLY; HE WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OF ITS DISPATCH OR EXPEDITION OF SAME. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. STATUS OF POZNAN. WE HAVE RECEIVED WORD THAT POZNAN IS NOT AMONG THE EUR POSTS BEING CONSIDERED FOR POSSIBLE CLOSING IN CONNECTION WITH THE CURRENT ROUND OF CUTS.

5. ROBERT SHAPIRO VISA APPLICATION. SHAPIRO HAS RETURNED TO THE U.S. AND STILL HOPES FOR A VISA TO VISIT POLAND TO DO HIS RESEARCH. WE WILL HAVE TO KEEP PRESSING THIS.

6. ROSALYNN CARTER MEETING WITH WYSZYNSKI. FYI: AN ATTEMPT WAS MADE TO ARRANGE A MEETING FOR MRS. CARTER WITH THE PRIMATE IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THE PAPAL FUNERAL. IT WAS THE PRESIDENT'S IDEA; HE ALSO SUGGESTED A MEETING WITH A BRAZILIAN CARDINAL. THE PRIMATE'S STAFF RESPONDED THAT HIS HEALTH AND WORK SCHEDULE AT THE VATICAN WOULD NOT PERMIT AN EXTRA MEETING. ALTHOUGH THE BRAZILIAN DESK SAID PAOLO CARDINAL ARENS IS A RATHER CLOSE FRIEND OF THE CARTER'S THAT MEETING DID NOT
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